

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON**

**MERRIT QUARUM, MD,**

Plaintiff,

v.

**MITCHELL INTERNATIONAL, INC.,**

Defendant.

Case No. 3:18-cv-2159-SB

**ORDER**

**Michael H. Simon, District Judge.**

United States Magistrate Judge Stacie F. Beckerman issued Findings and Recommendation in this case on April 12, 2019. ECF 23. Magistrate Judge Beckerman recommended that the Defendant's motion to dismiss for *forum non conveniens* be denied and Defendant's motion to transfer this case to the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware be granted. No party has filed objections.

Under the Federal Magistrates Act ("Act"), the court may "accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). If a party files objections to a magistrate judge's findings and recommendations, "the court shall make a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made." *Id.*; Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b)(3).

If no party objects, the Act does not prescribe any standard of review. *See Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 152 (1985) (“There is no indication that Congress, in enacting [the Act], intended to require a district judge to review a magistrate’s report to which no objections are filed.”); *United States v. Reyna-Tapia*, 328 F.3d 1114, 1121 (9th Cir. 2003) (en banc) (holding that the court must review *de novo* magistrate judge’s findings and recommendations if objection is made, “but not otherwise”).

Although review is not required in the absence of objections, the Act “does not preclude further review by the district judge[] *sua sponte* . . . under a *de novo* or any other standard.” *Thomas*, 474 U.S. at 154. Indeed, the Advisory Committee Notes to Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b) recommend that “[w]hen no timely objection is filed,” the court review the magistrate judge’s findings and recommendations for “clear error on the face of the record.”

No party having made objections, this Court follows the recommendation of the Advisory Committee and reviews Magistrate Judge Beckerman’s Findings and Recommendation for clear error on the face of the record. No such error is apparent. Accordingly, the Court **ADOPTS** Magistrate Judge Beckerman’s Findings and Recommendation, ECF 23. Defendant’s motion (ECF 7) to dismiss is **DENIED** and Defendant’s alternative motion to transfer this case to the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware is **GRANTED**. The Clerk of the Court is directed to transfer this case to the District of Delaware.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

DATED this 1st day of May, 2019.

/s/ Michael H. Simon  
Michael H. Simon  
United States District Judge